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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(e), filed March 25, 2011, to accept an unavoidably delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The patent issued October 30, 2001. Accordingly, the first maintenance fee due could have been paid during the period from October 30, 2004 through April 30, 2005, or with a surcharge during the period from May 1, 2005 through October 30, 2005. This patent expired on October 30, 2005.

Petitioner has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Director that the delay in timely paying the maintenance fee was unavoidable.

There is no indication that the petition is signed by a registered patent attorney or patent agent of record. However, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.34, practitioner's signature appearing on the correspondence shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he acts. If practitioner desires to receive correspondence regarding this file, the appropriate power of attorney documents must be submitted. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to practitioner, the petitioner herein. However, until otherwise instructed, all future correspondence regarding this application file will be directed solely to the above-noted correspondence address of record.

The power of attorney filed May 22, 2009 has not been entered into the record because it is signed by one of two joint inventors and thus fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.33(b)(4). Further, the change of correspondence address filed July 26, 2010 has not been entered into the record because it is signed by a practitioner not of record.

The 3.5 year and 7.5 year maintenance fees are hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-3205.

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